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THIS IS A PROJECT NEWLIFE DEAG AND SENIOR CIVIL COORDINATOR SITREP NO. 11.

1. GENERAL. OFFICE OF CIVIL COORDINATOR (CC) PERSONNEL MANNED WATCH STATIONS AT THE SIERRA DOCKSIDE RECEPTION AREA THOUGHOUT THE DAY TO ASSIST WITH THE MOVEMENT OF OFFLOADING REFUGEES AND TO IDENTIFY MEMBERS OF SPLIT FAMILY GROUPS FOR REUNIFICATION AND PROCESSING.

THE VIETNAM MERCHANT SHIP, THE THUONG TINI, ARRIVED IN GUAM TODAY FLYING THE RVN FLAG WITH 685 REFUGEES ABOARD. THIS SHIP DEPART SAIGON ON 30 APRIL. IN ADDITION, THE TRANS-COLORADO, WITH 4,500 REFUGEES, ARRIVED, AS DID THE AMERICAN RACER. THE NUMBER OF REFUGEES ABOARD THE AMERICAN RACER IS ESTIMATED AT 3,900.V 2. HEALTH AND SANITATION. REFER TO OPERATION NEWLIFE SITREP 30.

3. PUBLIC AFFAIRS. ADMIRAL NOEL GAYLER, CINCPAC, APPEARED AT THE 1100 HOURS PRESS BRIEFING AND GAVE HIS GENERAL IMPRESSION OF THE REFUGEE OPERATION. HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR CIVILIAN AND MILITARY EFFORTS.

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THE SUCCESSFUL RECEPTION OF 13,000 SHIPBOARD REFUGEES WAS A MAJOR STORY AS WAS CONGRESSIONAL ACTION LEADING TO RESETTLEMENT FUNDS FOR THE REFUGEES.

THE BILINGUAL CAMP NEWSPAPER WILL START TO PUBLISH TWO LISTS

CONCERNING FAMILY REUNIFICATION AND UNCLAIMED CABLES ON MONDAY, MAY 1

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THE RED CROSS WILL PROVIDE THE NAME LISTS TO THE NEWSPAPER, WHICH WILL CONTINUE TO PUBLISH THE LIST DAILY, AND RESPONSES WILL BE PROCESSED BY THE RED CROSS.

4. INS. ON MAY 8, THE INS TEAMS CLEARED 4,432 EVACUEES AT GUAM, INCLUDING SIX U.S. CITIZEN AND 4,426 ALIENS; AT WAKE 510 ALIENS AND ZERO U.S. CITIZENS WERE CLEARED THIS DATE. BREAKDOWN BY CATEGORIES AS FOLLOWS: GUAM: CATEGORY I - 43; CATEGORY II - 4,383. WAKE: CATEGORY I - 26; CATEGORY II - 484.

INS INTENDS TO BEGIN PROCESSING AT J & G CONSTRUCTION CAMP SITE ON MAY 10 FOR THOSE VIETNAMESE WHO HAVE EXPRESSED AN INTENTION TO APPLY FOR RESIDENCE ON GUAM.

5. VOLAGS. ARC THE NAVAL REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
HAS PROVIDED A WAREHOUSE SUPPLY AREA WHICH WILL ALLOW THE RED CROSS
SUPPLY SECTION TO STORE AND BREAKDOWN INTO DISTRIBUTABLE UNITS
INCOMING BULK ITEMS. AS OF 9 MAY, \$457.000 HAS BEEN EXPENDED.
THE MAJOR PORTION OF THIS AMOUNT HAS BEEN FOR THE PURCHASE OF
CLOTHING. RECRUITMENT OF VIETNAMESE OFFICE VOLUNTEERS IS DONE
ON A DAILY BASIS. BOTH OROTE POINT AND ASAN OFFICES HAVE BEEN
SUCCESSFUL IN REPLACING THEIR ENTIRE VIETNAMESE VOLUNTEER GROUPS
EVERY FEW DAY AFTER THOSE WHO HAD BEEN UTILIZED HAVE PROCESSED AND
MOVED ON TO HOLDING LOCATIONS PRIOR TO THIER DEPARTURE FOR
THE UNITED STATES

THE ASAN OFFICE HAS DEVISED, AND COORDINATED WITH THE CAMP AUTHORITIES, A PLAN TO RETAIN FAMILIES/PARENTS AT ASAN TO PREVENT THE SPLITTING OF FAMILIES WHILE ONE MEMBER OF THE FAMILY IS HOSPITALIZED. AT OROTE POINT DISTRIBUTION OF CLOTHING IS DONE ON THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE: WOMEN & CHILDREN 0800-1200, AND MEN 1300-1800.

VOLUNTEERS, EVEN THOUGH THOROUGHLY TIRED AFTER WORKING THROUGH THE PAST TWO WEEK PERIOD OF THIS OPERATION, CONTINUE TAKING TIME FROM THEIR FAMILY AND PERSONAL SCHEDULES TO CONTRIBUTE THEIR TIME AND ENERGY TO THE REFUGEE PROGRAM.

REFUGEE MAIL PROCESSED TO DATE: 9.901 OUTGOING PIECES.
REFUGEE COMMUNICATIONS PROCESSED TO DATE: 3,470 OUTGOING MESSAGES.
DEPARTURES: 8 MAY - 153 TO CANADA, 3 TO ENGLAND; 9 MAY - UNCLASSIFIED

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150 TO CANADA, 1 TO AUSTRALIA.

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IN CONNECTION WITH THE MOVEMENT TO AUSTRALIA, IT IS OF INTEREST TO NOTE AMBOSSADOR LYON'S COMMENTS: QUOTE MRS. HUYNH NGOC DIEP IS LEAVING FOR AUSTRALIA TONIGHT VIA MANILA WHERE SHE WILL BE MET BY AN AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY OFFICIAL. MRS. DIEP WAS THE FIRST CASE HANDLED BY IRC WHEN SHE ARRIVED IN GUAM ON 28 APRIL. SHE HAD ALSO BEEN HELPED TO LEAVE SIAGON BY MR. MORRIS, DIRECTOR OF IRC IN THAT CITY, WHO HIMSELF ARRIVED IN GUAM ON 6 MAY, HAVING BEEN ONE OF THE LAST PEOPLE TO LEAVE BY HELICOPTER. UNQUOTE.

REGISTRATION. OROTE: 49 FOR FRANCE, 12 FOR AUSTRALIA, 4 FOR BELGIUM AND 6 VIETNAMESE REFUGEES FOR TAIWAN. J & G: 50 PERSONS - BREAKDOWN BETWEEN COUNTRIES NOT YET REPORTED.

MR. W. J. GIBBONS, CHIEF AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVB ABD MR. HENRY F. CRANFIELD ARRIVED TODAY AND MR. W. VAN HARWAARVE, SENIOR AUSTRALIAN MIGRATION OFFICER, WILL ARRIVE TONIGHT. PROCESSING WILL START TOMORROW MORNING IN J & G FOR VIETNAMESE DESIRING TO GO TO AUSTRALIA. EVERY ASSISTANCE IS SOUGHT TO ENSURE THE PROPER WORKING OF THE AUSTRALIAN IMMIGRATION TEAM.

VISA REQUESTS HAVE BEEN SENT TO FRANCE FOR 57 PERSONS AND TO AUSTRALIA FOR 17 PERSONS.

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